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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above identified application.

No additional fee is required. [X]

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated November 18, 2002, please amend the present application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please amend claims 12 and 18 to read as follows:

12. (Twice Amended) The method according to claim 1, wherein at least one reactant, other than Reactant*, is pre-deposited in an application zone LZ_nR for liquid intended for transport of the reactant.

(Third Amendment) A device for determination of an analyte in a sample in a flow matrix by use of a transport flow of one or more biospecific affinity reactants, at least

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